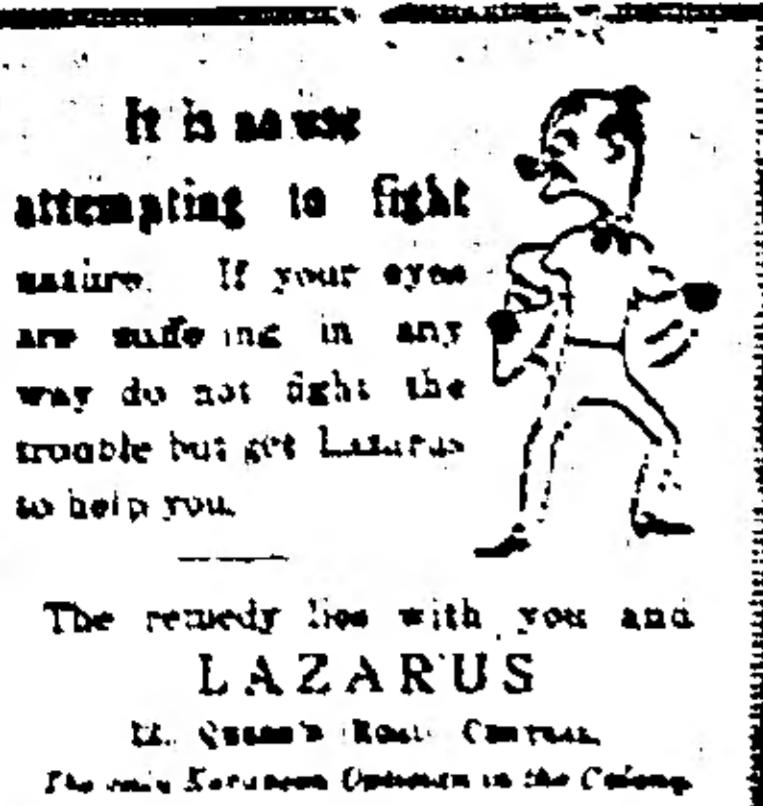


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OPTIMISTIC LABOUR PARTY.

PREPARING FOR THE NEXT ELECTION.

(Reuter's Service)

London, December 12.

The executive of the Labour party has decided in the event of Labour being invited to form a Government that their Parliamentary Party immediately accept full responsibility for the Government of the country, without compromising itself with any form of coalition.

London, December 12.

The Labour executive has passed a resolution in view of the critical parliamentary position, and the possibility of another early election, requesting Mr. Arthur Henderson and the headquarters staff of regional officers immediately to prepare for the next contest, which will be the most momentous in the history of Labour.

London, December 12.

It is authoritatively stated that the programme with which the Government will meet Parliament will not include Mr. Baldwin's tariff proposals, but it is most probable that measures for Empire development agreed on at the Imperial Conference other than those of a protectionist character will be put in the forefront, for example the extension of trade credits, the improvement of communications, and preference in Imperial contracts.

Mr. Asquith has replied to a correspondent: "There is no foundation for the foolish inventions that Liberals will seek an alliance with the Conservatives."

DECREASE OF P. & O. EARNINGS.

LORD INCHCAPE'S VIEWS ON PREFERENCE.

London, December 12.

Lord Inchcape at the P. & O. meeting said he regretted that, with a few exceptions, the earnings on every voyage of P. & O. steamers during the past twelve months had been below the disbursements. The company were reluctantly compelled to reduce the wages of their staffs, and further reductions might be necessary to keep the ships at sea and cover working charges. He suggested that unemployment might be remedied if the trade unions suspended their regulations with regard to minimum rates of wages and restriction of hours of labour output, and gave economic conditions free play for a year or two, so that costs of production would decrease and world markets would be found for the increased output of British manufacturers. Imperial Conferences were undoubtedly very valuable to the Empire, but were a somewhat disturbing influence on domestic affairs.

He hoped when the next Imperial Conference be arranged, it will be one of the conditions that any mention of Imperial preference or tariffs be rigidly excluded from the discussion. He would not rule out free trade within the Empire, but as most of the Dominions depended largely on revenue from high tariffs, he was afraid for many years this would not be a practical proposition. He believed the different units of the Empire would hold together better if each were left free to carry on in the way apparently best suited to its own conditions.

"THAT WON'T DO."

LORD ALFRED DOUGLAS IN THE BOX.

London, December 12.

On the resumption of the Douglas case, Lord Alfred Douglas gave evidence. Replying to Mr. Justice Avery with regard to an article which the Judge said suggested that Earl Balfour and Mr. Churchill had withheld the truth with regard to Jutland on account of Sir Ernest Cassier, the accused said it was written jocularly and sarcastically, and as the statements were not contradicted he considered he had a prescriptive right to believe they were true. The Judge retorted: "That won't do." Lord Alfred Douglas, when leaving the witness box passionately exclaimed that it was most unfair he had not had a chance of putting his case to a jury. It was fair.

Captain Harold Spencer gave evidence alleging that Sir Edward Pack told him on June 2nd, 1916, that the false report of Jutland was Mr. Winston Churchill's work. This Sir Edward Pack had previously denied. Capt. Spencer also alleged that Mr. Churchill at Dundee in 1919 told him he had issued the Jutland report to get money out of the Yanks. Cross-examined by the Attorney-General, Capt. Spencer admitted that he had been twice convicted, but did not admit that he had thrice been certified to be suffering from delusional insanity. The case was further adjourned.

JAPANESE GETS PENAL SERVITUDE.

DRUG TRAFFICKER ON ENORMOUS SCALE.

London, December 12.

Yasukichi Miyagawa, the Japanese arrested a month ago, has been sentenced to three years' penal servitude, at the Old Bailey. Counsel stated that the authorities were of opinion he was the largest trafficker in drugs ever brought to justice.

His consignment of morphine hydrochloride seized by the police at Marseilles was valued at nine thousand sterling. Counsel said the Home Office knew that very large consignments of drugs had been smuggled into Japan in recent years, and some had found their way into China and India, and even back to Britain. They went all over the world, and there was no control over them once they had passed through legitimate hands. Miyagawa trafficked enormously in drugs, not only with a firm in Switzerland but also a firm in Hamburg. The prisoner exported £37,500 worth of heroin from Hamburg in the last week of October. He was backed by a very powerful and wealthy organisation. Representations had been made to the German Government, and there had been many arrests in Hamburg during the last few days. The Recorder said the prisoner would be recommended for deportation, and would have to pay all the expenses of the prosecution.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT'S DEFAULT.

FRENCH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PAYMENT.

Paris, December 12.

M. Poincaré, replying to a letter from M. Tardieu on behalf of a number of holders of the Chinese five per cent, 1913 issue, who have not been paid dividends since September, 1921, states that as far as this particular loan is concerned the Chinese Government can invoke no valid reason to justify non-payment of dividends. French diplomacy continued to urge the absolute necessity for China's respecting her obligation with regard to French holders of the loan. The political instability of China had rendered vain the steps hitherto taken in the matter by the French Legation at Peking, but negotiations would be rendered as soon as a new Government be constituted, and would be followed up with all regard to French interests.

PISTOL BATTLE.

SHANGHAI SPECIAL CONSTABLE WOUNDED.

A BYSTANDER KILLED.

(Our Own Correspondent)

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

Mr. S. Rebmann, a special police constable, was shot twice, being seriously wounded, and one Chinese was killed and two wounded in a pistol battle when a police squadron, suspecting an attempt at armed robbery, stopped a motor car to examine the occupants.

The Chinese killed and one of the wounded were bystanders; the other was a member of the bandit gang. One other robber was captured.

The Police had a tip that a robbery was contemplated and called out the special constables to search suspicious motorcars. As Mr. Rebmann and party approached the car, two Chinese jumped out with pistols in hand and opened fire. Mr. Rebmann was wounded in the thigh and arm. The police returned the fire, but two of the bandits escaped in the motor car.

Mr. Rebmann is the Manager of Messrs. Cambefort and Company, French silk exporters.

Shanghai, December 13. A foreign Special Police officer was severely wounded on the thigh and arm with revolver shots during an affray with automobile bandits last night. (Reuter.)

PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.

INTERESTING PROGRAMME.

The items to be given by the Philharmonic Society at their forthcoming concert are as varied as it is possible to have them. Included in the programme is "The Inchcape Rock," the well-known ballad of Sir Ralph the Rover who sank the bell of the Inchcape Rock and was later drowned on the same spot.

Capt. Oxpiano seconded the amendment.

An amendment was moved by Mr. C. C. Boyd. This, in effect,

admitted the correctness of the altitude taken up by the small owners, but, as the Stewards wished to be fair to all, they suggested that the resolutions should not come into force until the 1st. March. There were certain owners who had bought ponies which the resolutions would disqualify, and it was only fair that such owners should be allowed to fulfil them at the next Race Meeting.

Mr. F. B. Marshall seconded this amendment, saying that members ought to keep in line with the Stewards as much as possible.

Mr. G. W. Sewell was against the resolutions, saying that the height limit should still be kept at 14.2.

Major White pointed out that the Race Meeting might, because of rain, be postponed until after March 1st., in which event Mr. Boyd's amendment would have no value.

He suggested that the amendment should provide for the resolutions not coming into force until after the next Race Meeting.

Mr. Boyd thereupon altered his amendment accordingly, and, when put to the vote, the amendment was carried by 127 votes to 33, a great number present abstaining from voting.

The effect of the decision is that the small owners have won their point so far as principle is concerned, but that matters are

seen to indicate that a treat

is in store for all who attend on

Tuesday. Booking is at Ander-

son's.

SALE OF WORK.

IN AID OF BLIND HOME.

In aid of the Kowloon Blind Girls' Home, a sale of work was held yesterday afternoon on the lawns of St. Andrew's Church vicarage, kindly loaned for the occasion by the Rev. G. R. Lindsay.

This sale was supplementary to one recently held at the Helena May Institute.

The articles on sale were the work of the girls, several of whom were to be seen on the grass making articles similar to those offered.

These girls also sang a number of

well-known hymns in Chinese, much to the enjoyment of those present.

Lady Seven opened the bazaar

and in a brief speech expressed

her sympathy with the cause, also

remarking on the wonderful work

done by the inmates of the Home.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay was

unable to be present on account

of indisposition, but the Rev. G. E.

Arrowsmith attended.

The case was remanded.

JOCKEY CLUB DISPUTE.

RECORD MEETING LAST NIGHT.

COMPROMISE REACHED.

There was an attendance of

about 200 members at last night's

extraordinary general meeting of

the Hongkong Jockey Club, when

certain resolutions were submitted

on behalf of a number of small

owners aiming at debarring the

racing here of mix-breed ponies.

There had been a lot of previous

canvassing, with the result that

the Board Room of Messrs.

Jardine, Matheson's was not large

enough to accommodate the big

crowd of members which turned

up.

After the ordinary half-yearly

meeting, the special meeting was

held. Sir Paul Chater presiding.

Mr. P. Tester, on behalf of the

small owners, moved the adoption

of the resolutions in a lengthy

and well-reasoned speech. He

refuted the suggestion that the

movers were hostile or antagonistic

to the present Stewards; for all

they wished to do was to keep

racing here confined to China

ponies, purely and simply. The

rules had always provided for

China ponies, and the small

owners did not want mix-breeds

introduced. That, and that only,

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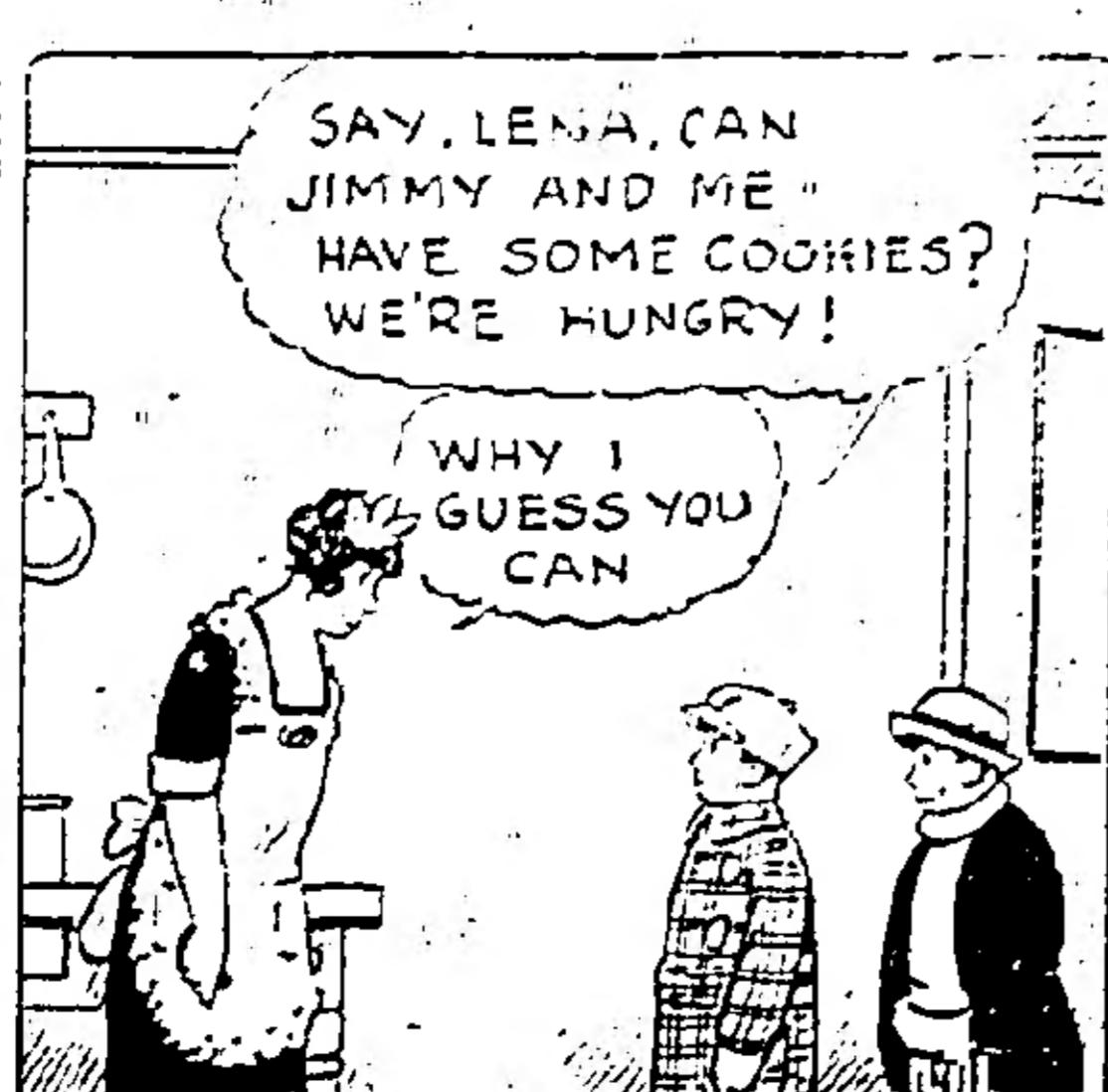
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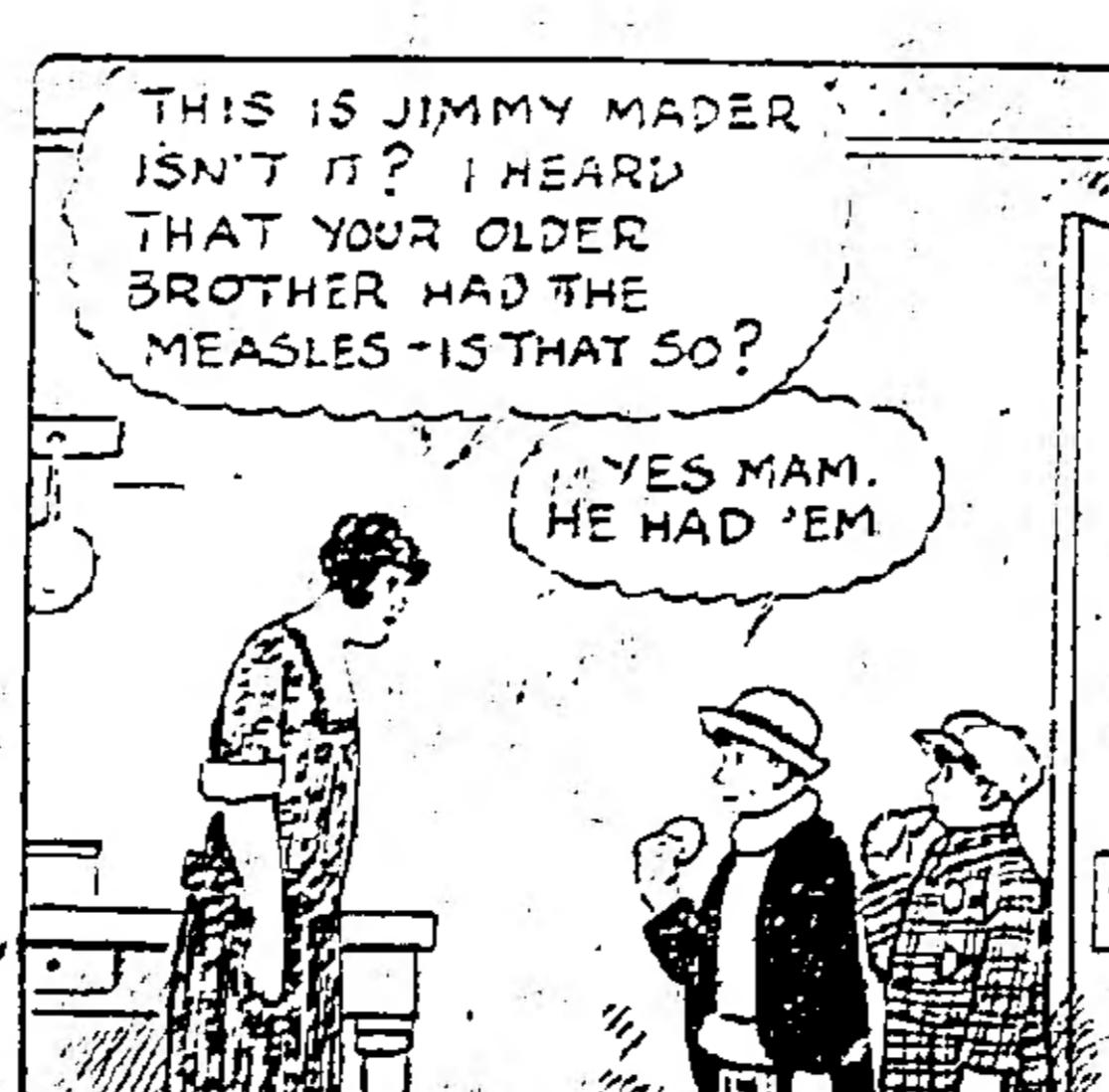
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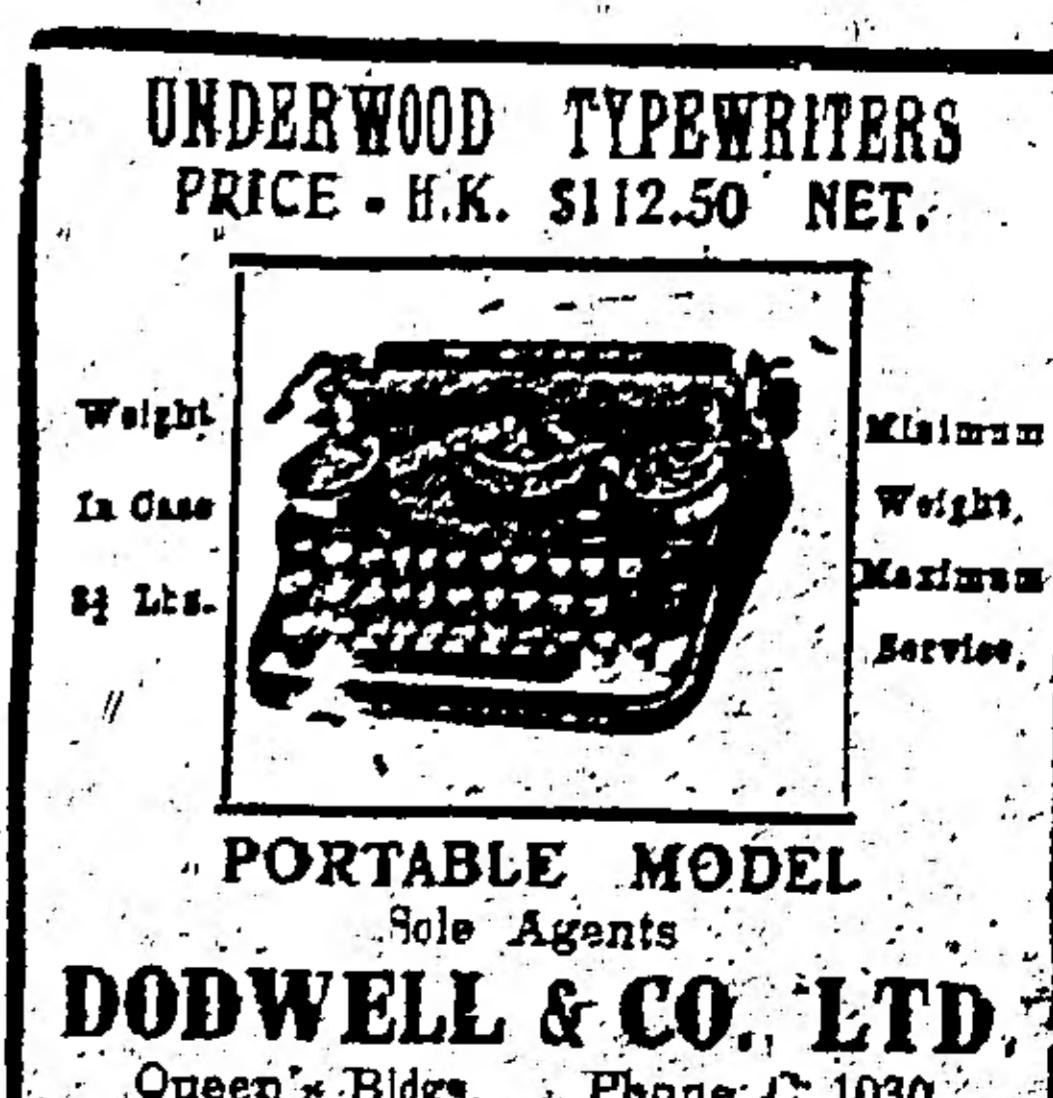
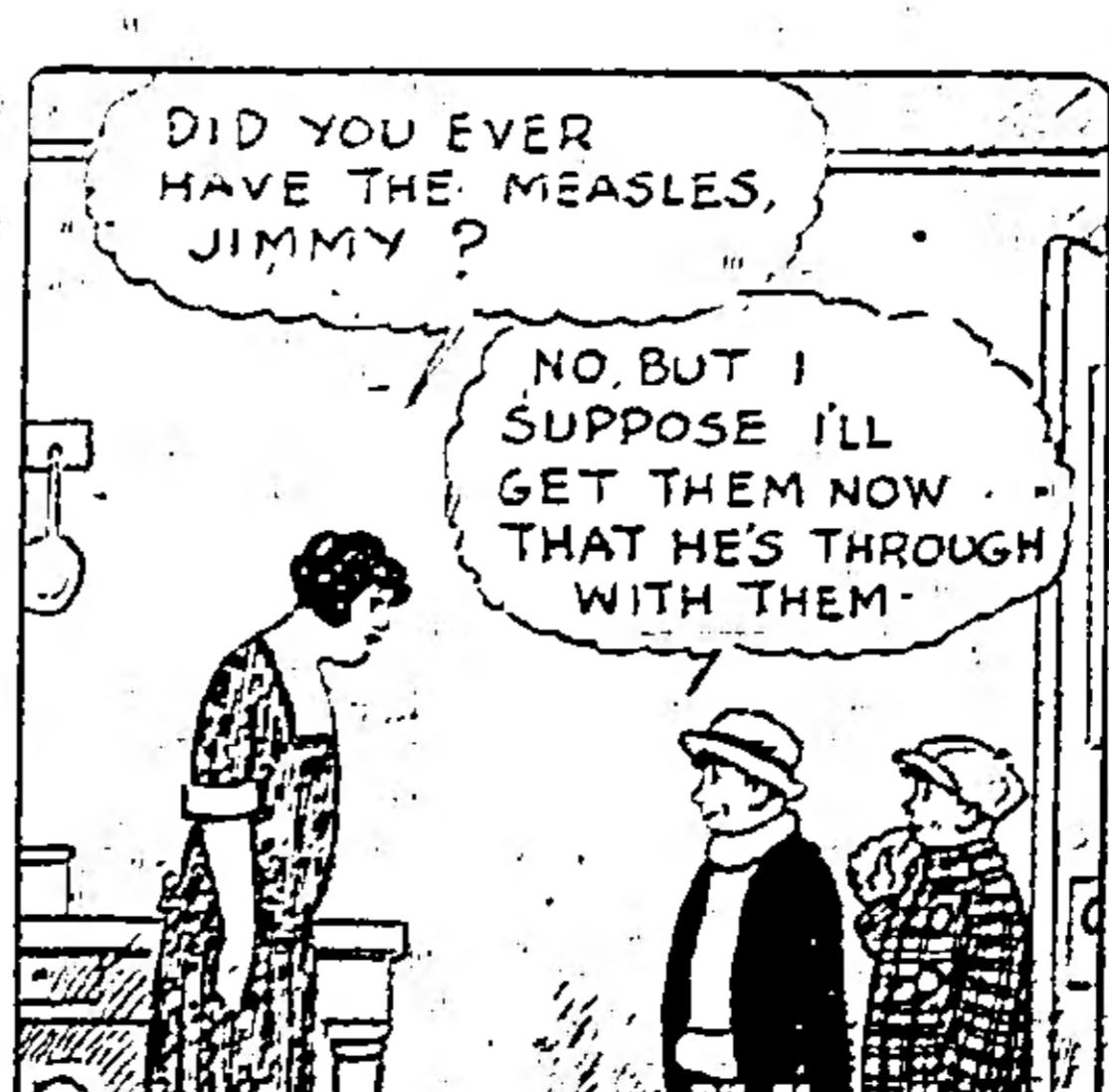
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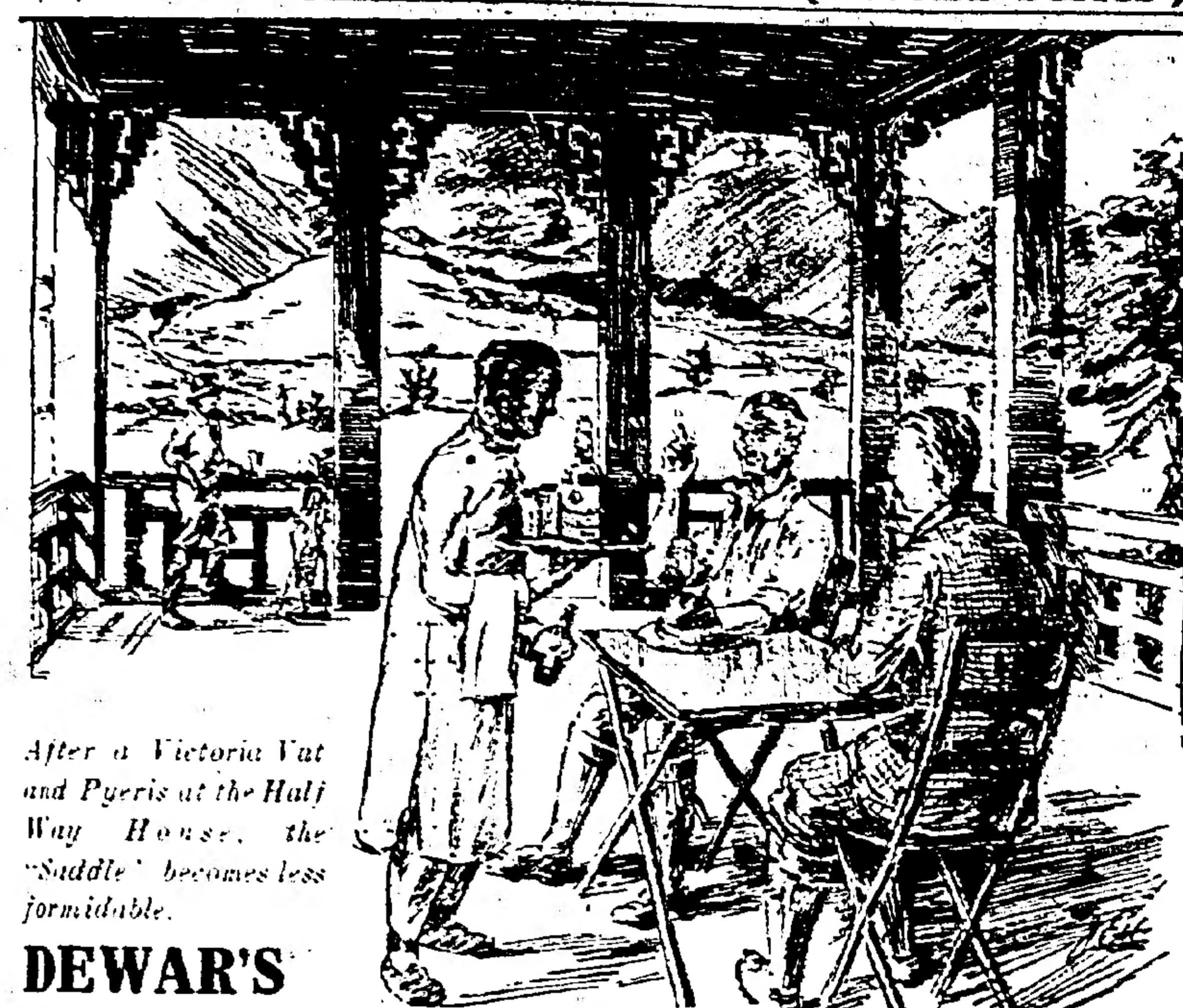
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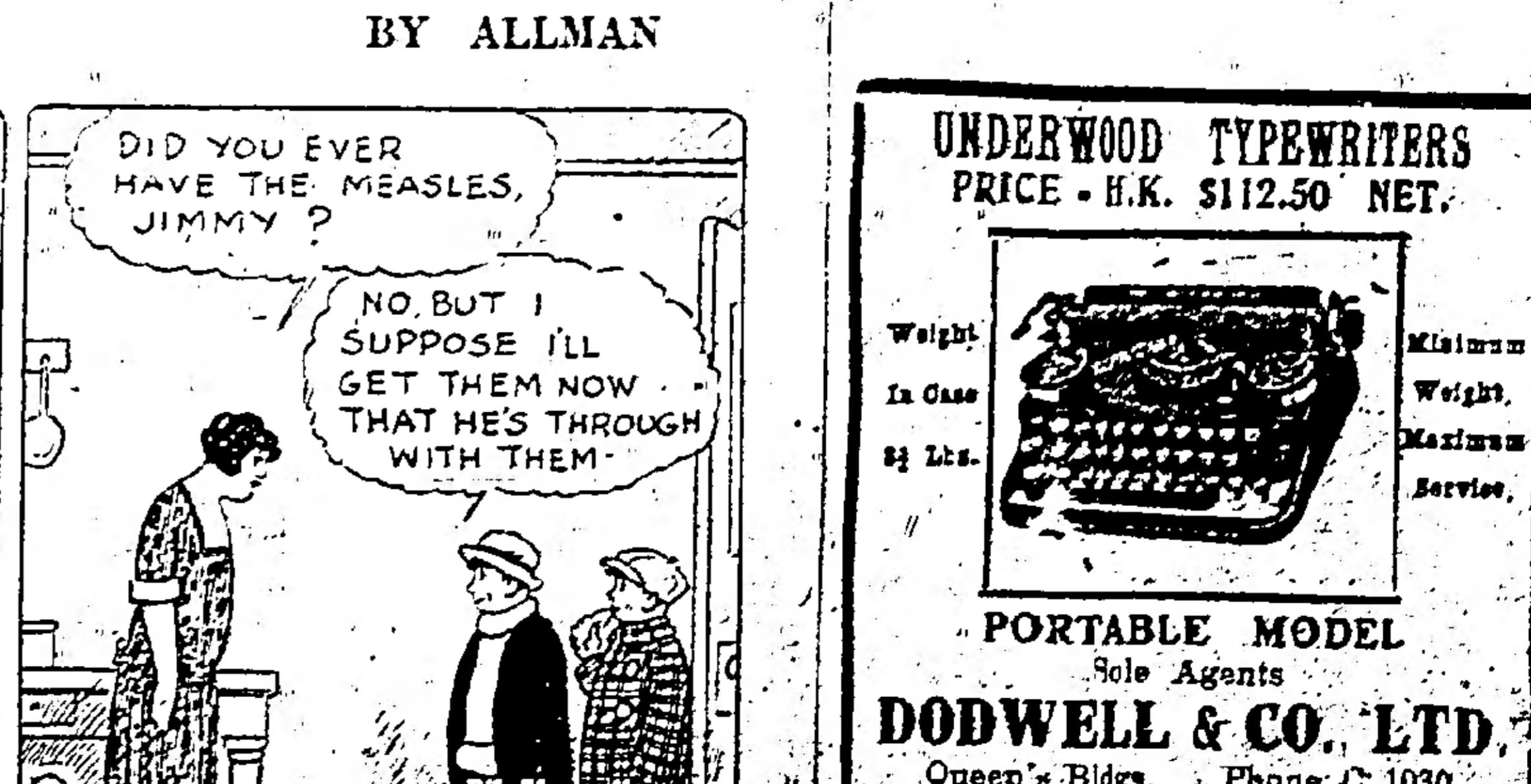
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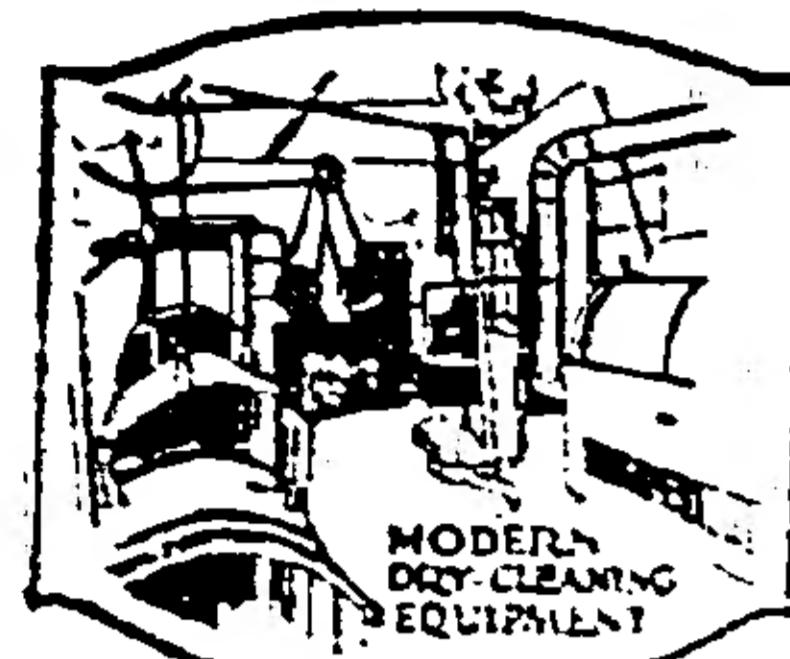
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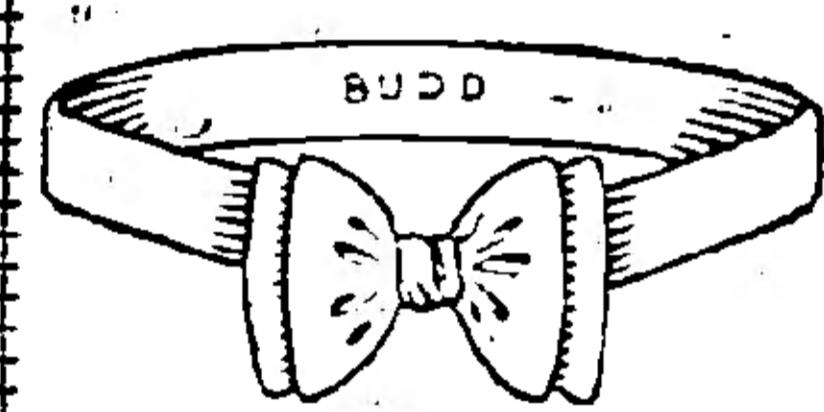
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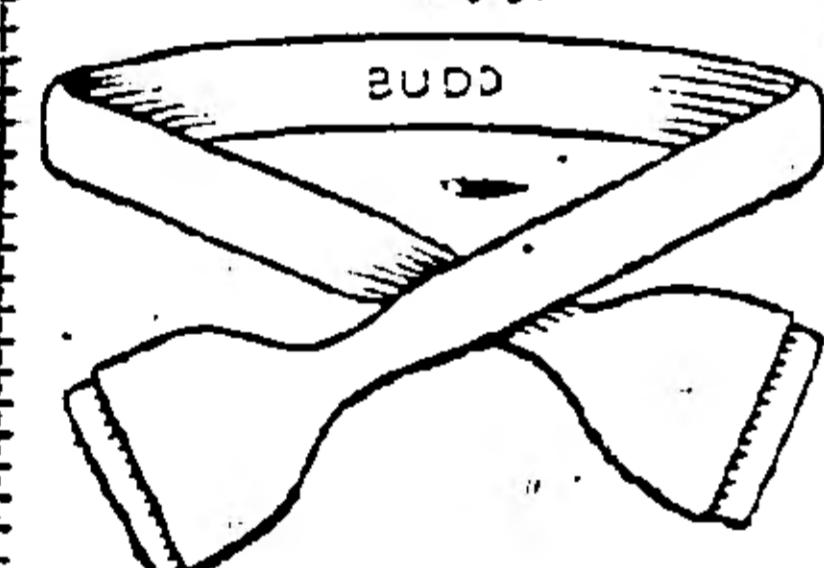
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Resolved that the Scheme of Arrangement (formulated under the Reglement Transactionnel under French Law) as set out in the Document forwarded to creditors together with the notice convening this Meeting be and is hereby adopted without modification, and that such Scheme of Arrangement if sanctioned by the Court and made binding on all creditors be carried out under the supervision of the Provisional Liquidator, or a Trustee to be appointed by the Court.

The resolution was proposed by the Rev. Fr. Robert and seconded by Mr. F. P. Shroff.

Questions. The Chairman having invited questions, a creditor wanted to know what was going to happen in respect of certain amounts in dispute.

The Chairman replied that they would all be adjusted afterwards.

Mr. H. Ching enquired in regard to the position of those who opposed the settlement.

The Chairman: If this resolution is carried by a majority they will be bound by the majority vote. They will be included in the scheme.

Mr. C. E. H. Beavis said it was stated in the scheme of arrangement that the French Government had arranged to surrender to the Far Eastern creditors off the Banque a part of the Boxer indemnity. Could the Chairman say whether any steps had been taken to secure the undertaken being carried out, or must they rely upon the French Government to do so?

The Chairman replied that he understood that a measure had already been passed by the French Parliament to that effect.

In reply to another question as to the rate of exchange for holders of marks, the Chairman said the rate of exchange had been fixed at that prevailing on the 26th July, 1921.

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For and on behalf of THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD. WALTER J. HAWKER, Secretary. Hongkong, 6th December, 1923.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 7th December, 1923, until Thursday, the 30th December, 1923, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1923.

NOTICE.

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BRITISH SECTION.

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H. P. WINSLOW,
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Kowloon, 11th December, 1923.

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11th Dec.

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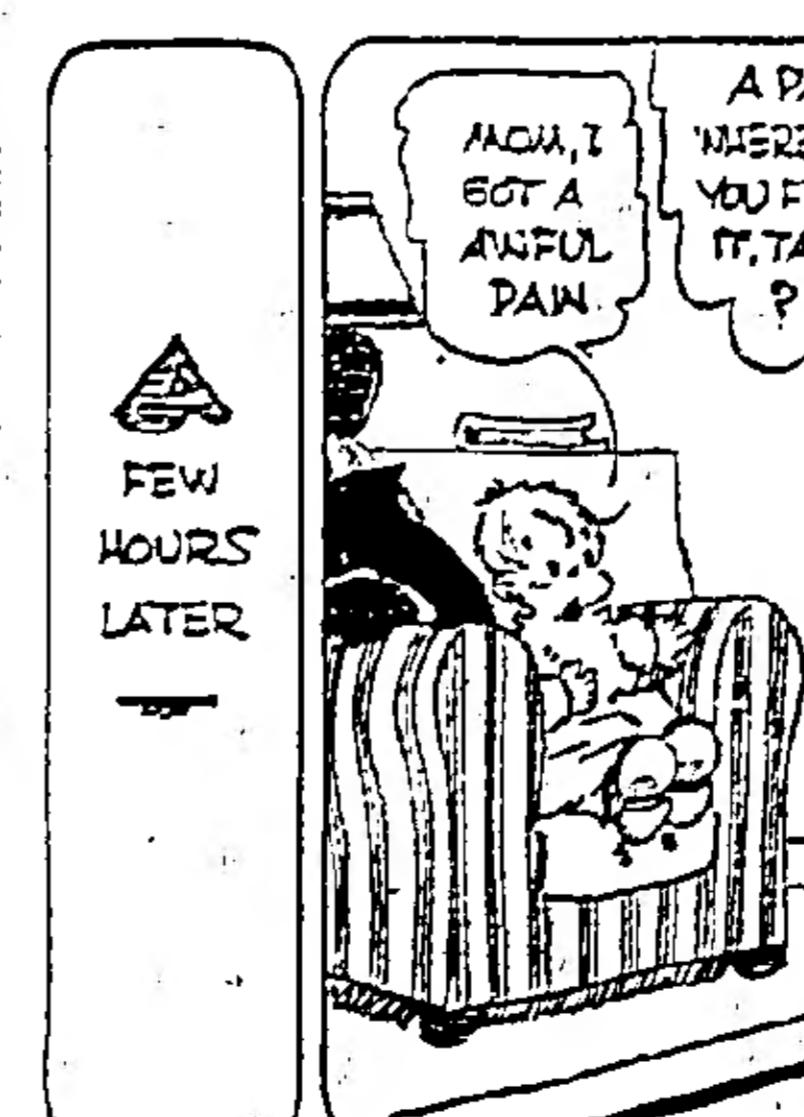
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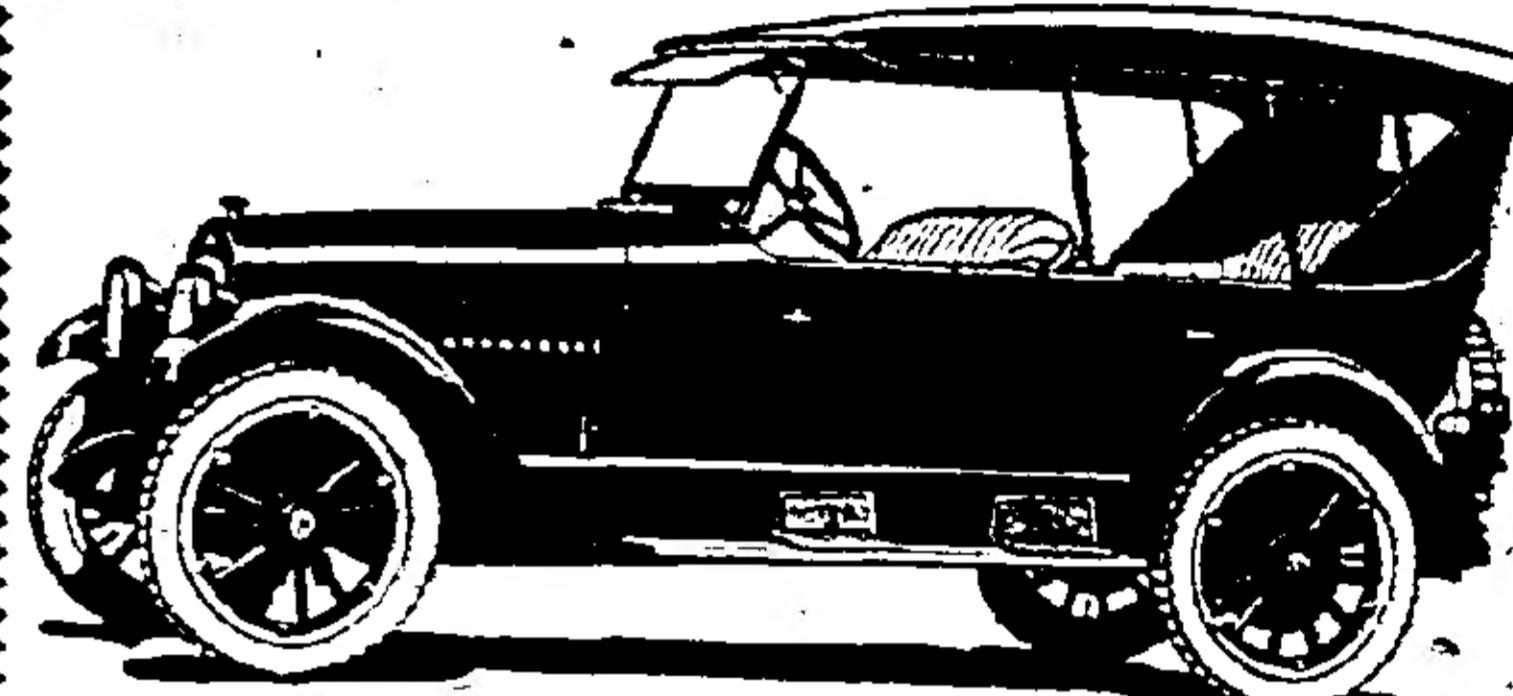
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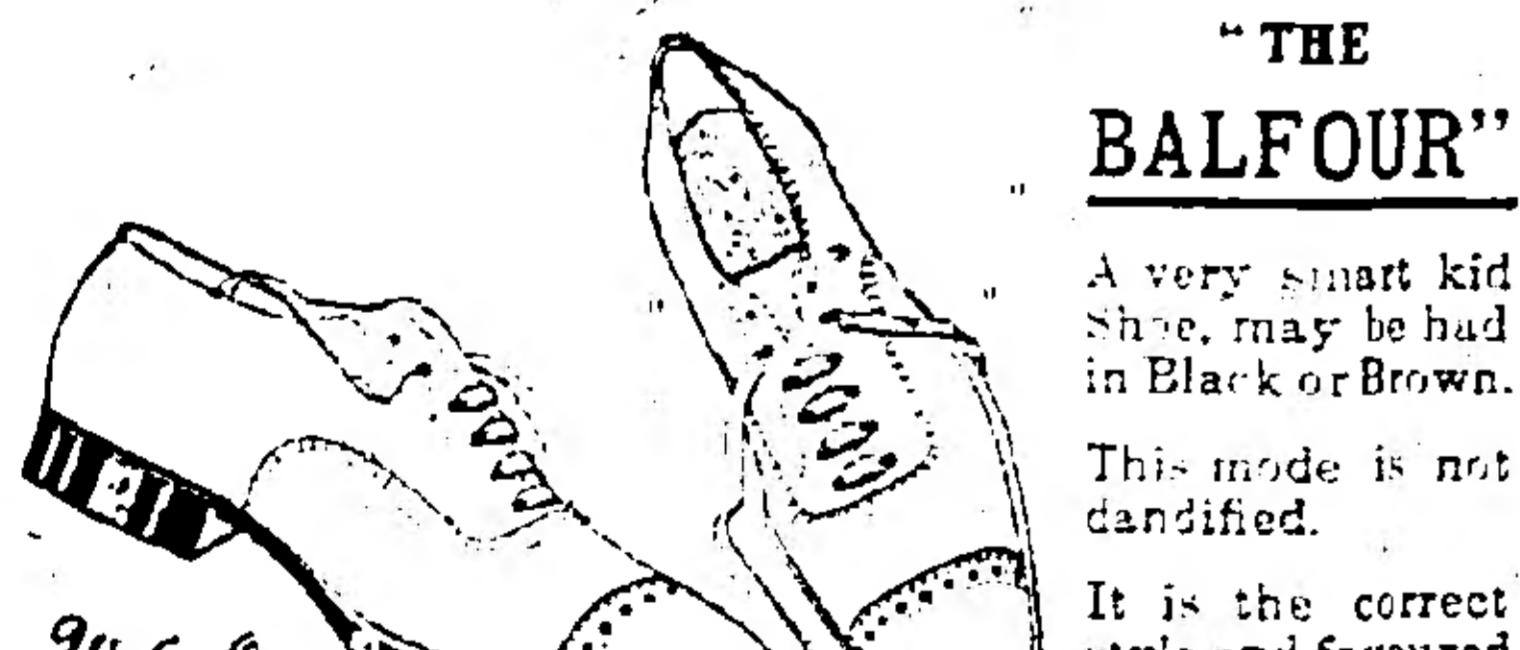
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DEATH.

BARRADAS. On December 5, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, from heart failure, Cesario M. Barradas, aged 58 years.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The family of the late Mr. C. A. Martinho Marques, beg to extend their heartfelt thanks to relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement, as also for their attendance at the funeral, and floral tributes.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 13th Dec., 1923.

NAVAL MATTERS.

We believe the main purpose of the Washington Conference was to make future wars impossible, by bringing about a friendly understanding amongst the world Powers and a cessation of all rivalry, whether in armies or navies. To this end, one of the most important matters taken up was disarmament. Chief consideration was given, for reasons that need not be discussed now, to naval armaments, and eventually a ratio of allowed strength was agreed to by the three principal naval Powers—Britain, the United States and Japan. The whole story of delays in ratification, attempts to evade certain provisions, and mutual distrust and baseless accusations, has been told from time to time, and the intelligent reading public of the world knows that the Conference was in no way the success that was expected. Cynics point to this as proof that the ideal of the federation of the world and brotherhood of man is merely a foolish dream, and will never be anything else: whilst the reality is more like a nightmare, with no cessation in the constant preparations against surprise attacks that other nations might possibly make or are, in certain cases, known to be contemplating at some future date. Fear, jealousies, and suspicions are mankind's heritage. The machinery of war is improved and perfected year by year, and the world's evolution moves ever towards that great clash which is to make insignificant anything that has ever gone before. Let us hope the date is a very remote one.

The best safeguard against war is not a treaty—which one big nation proved a few years ago could be no more than a scrap of paper—but a continuous effort to be in possession of adequate defence and means of hitting back as hard as is received. This

realisation must lie at the back of the report by the American Naval Secretary, who urges the United States Government to increase its naval armaments so as to keep pace with the other Powers, and still keep within the Washington Treaty. So the programme of annual expenditures continues as the nations effect improvements in their defensive machines of war. No-one appears to have thought of advocating a great saving of money by the Powers agreeing to stick to present types of armament, so that nothing but sheer old age would make their equipment obsolete!

Instead of that, we have a steady tale of building up-to-date vessels and scrapping warships that have done comparatively short service. And while discussing naval matters we wonder whether anyone realised how much the Singapore naval base scheme depended on the recent general election. The Liberals are not wholly in favour of the project, and Labour is frankly hostile. The scheme will take many years to complete, and we might have Liberal or Labour Ministries before long. Meanwhile the preliminary work on the site of the base—which everyone knows by now was selected several years ago—has been put in hand. Later, there will probably be further expenditure necessary for an aerodrome and aerial equipment. We shall not attempt to predict what would happen were a pacifist or stubbornly anti-war party to dominate Parliament: we have a sufficiency of problems to contemplate at the present day without looking further ahead for additional national worries, but all the time we are conscious of the cloud on the horizon.

Beggars.

We suggested, some months ago, when writing of the men who went about Hongkong with performing monkeys and sheep, that someone might some day write a book, and an interesting one it would be, on the various means of livelihood adopted by the vast populations of the East, with particular reference to those wandering visitors whom one encounters, in their season, from Vladivostok to Singapore. Another good topic for the travelled writer would be beggars. There is a wealth of material available, with the many types to be met with all over the ordinary mail-boat routes: the audacious, the decrepit, the pitiful, the diseased, the young, and the old. A sharp contrast could be drawn, say, between the urchins who run after one's carriage in Colombo with a constant refrain of "No mama, no papa," and the old man with venerable white beard who addresses one in Hongkong as "taipan" and presents an empty tin for the expected dole of coppers, or small silver. Local beggars would, we fear, fill several chapters of the book. The ingenious ways they adopt here are a peculiar insight into what is probably the second oldest profession in the world. The man who weeps copiously, day after day, without aid of onions or the like, deserves a reward for his really hard work. One's first feeling for beggars in Hongkong is one of sympathy, but remembering the societies and institutions that care for our destitutes, one cannot help wondering whether in many cases begging is not quite as lucrative a local profession as coolie labour, besides being less strenuous.

Still Aloof.

The United States still does not see its way to participate officially in any enquiry into the German reparations question. The Government favours participation of American economic experts in a private capacity, but beyond that it will not go. At the same time, it is announced that the Government considers the enquiry will be of great value. In view of that fact, it does appear regrettable that America should still hold aloof. Some months ago there was ground for hoping that, provided there was unanimity amongst the European Powers on the subject, the United States would join in any investigation agreed upon. That hope is now

DAY BY DAY.

THE COWARDLY KICKING OF A BRAVE ENEMY WHO IS FOR THE TIME BEING DOWN AND OUT IS NOT A POLICY WHICH COMMANDS ITSELF TO ANY SECTION OF ENGLISHMEN.—Dawn Page.

There were nineteen further Chinese cases of small-pox notified yesterday, six of which were from Kowloon.

Communication with America via Commercial Pacific cable is interrupted. Telegrams are now being forwarded via Europe.

Members and subscribers of the U.S.R.C. are informed that a Special Dance will be held on 24th Dec. at 9.15 p.m.—Advt.

Chen King-ming's left wing continues to retreat, but his right wing is advancing near Tsang Sing and Shaktan, where it is believed, the next heavy fighting will take place.

The farewell performance of the Italian Opera Co. at the Star Theatre will be given to-night. The opera will be "Traviata", which has been much in request by the general public.

Canton reports state that Young-Sai-gam, the former Provincial Treasurer, has been appointed Superintendent of the Opium Bureau. It is said that officials have been despatched to Hongkong and Macao to approach rich merchants with a view to becoming monopolists.

A successful whist drive was held at the Seamen's Institute last night, the prize-winners being—Ladies: 1st, Mrs. Spanton (174); 2nd, Mrs. Lillicrap (172); 3rd, Mrs. Watson (165); booby, Mrs. Morgan (139). Gents: 1st, Mr. Leach (175); 2nd, Mr. Selby (174); 3rd, Mr. Jenkins (174); booby, Mr. Lillicrap (139). There will be another similar event next Wednesday.

There was quite a good "house" at the Theatre Royal last evening, when the A.D.C. gave a matinee performance of "R.E.R." The play was most admirably presented and the audience signified its appreciation by many hearty rounds of applause. The band of H.M.S. Hawkins played some choice selections between the intervals. The final production of "R.E.R." takes place on Saturday night.

A letter has just been received from Viscount Knutsford. Chairman of the London Hospital, addressed to the late Mrs. B. L. Frost expressing grateful thanks for a sum of £133 17s. 8d. which she collected on behalf of the institution named. The writer says all who helped in the raffle and in other ways deserve the best rewards and he expresses not only his own thanks but also those of the sick people whom this splendid gift will enable us to help.

It is sometimes thought that unless a role is full of variation, an artist cannot create a memorable figure. Yet in "The Flame of Life," the Hobart Henley Universal-Jewel production on the screen of the World Theatre, last night, Priscilla Dean presents a portrayal great in its very simplicity. The story is thrilling, but human, fast moving, but complete. The ending is unique in that it doesn't picture the heroine gloriously gowned and on her way to the heights of luxury and happiness. To the contrary, she can't read or write and has one dress to her name. The love interest is unpretentious and logical and there is no romantic nonsense.

dashed to the ground. We can, of course, well appreciate America's anxiety to uphold her traditional policy of not becoming mixed up in world politics, but, at the same time, international relations have so expanded and the points of contact between the New World and the Old become so many that it is doubtful whether the United States can for very much longer keep outside the discussion of big world issues. The same factors, or similar ones, that drew America into the war will in all probability draw her eventually into active participation in conferences on large international questions in which she, in common with others, is directly or indirectly involved. Her resources and enterprise, no less than her ideals, cannot for ever be available merely for the solution of her own internal problems.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TO-DAY'S MEETING.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon.

H. E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubb, K.C.M.G.) presided and there were also present:

H. E. Major General Sir John Fowler, C.B., D.S.O.

The Hon. Sir Claud Savor, C.M.G., K.B.E., Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Attorney-General.

The Hon. Mr. C. M. Messer, Colonial Treasurer.

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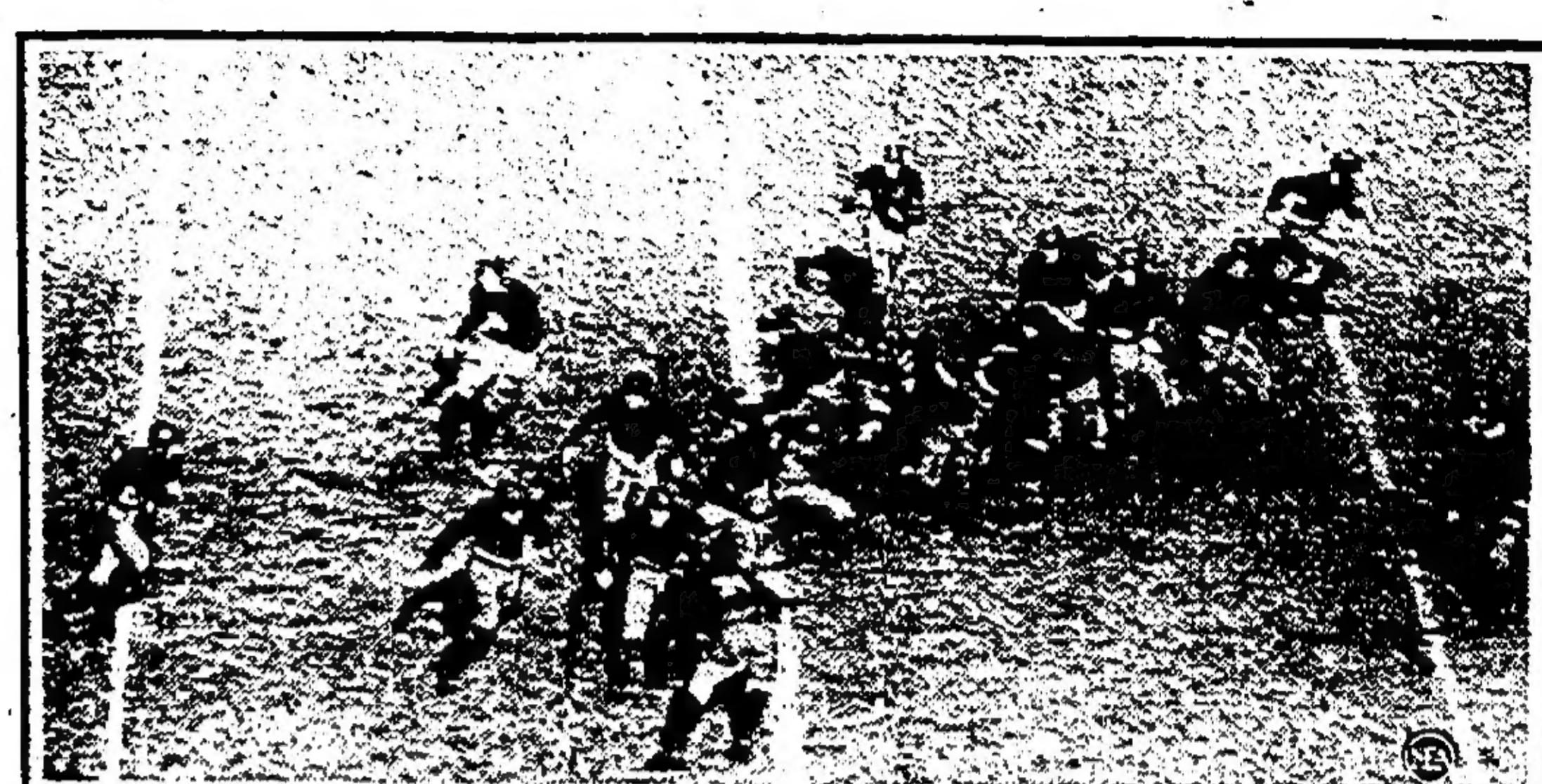
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This shows the terrible damage done by floods to a railway bridge at Oklahoma city recently.



W. E. Fitzsimmons, brother of the famous fighter, who has a job painting Christmas toys.



Seven health officers of the Health Division of the League of Nations recently arrived in America to study conditions there. Left to right, back row: Dr. Eugene R. Kelley, commissioner of Massachusetts Health Department; Dr. E. Andersen of Norway; Dr. L. Van Boeschel of Belgium. Seated: Dr. M. M. Seymour of Canada; Dr. Charles Porter of England; Dr. Francesco Piccinini of Italy; Dr. H. Hunziker of Switzerland; Dr. L. Aubland of France.



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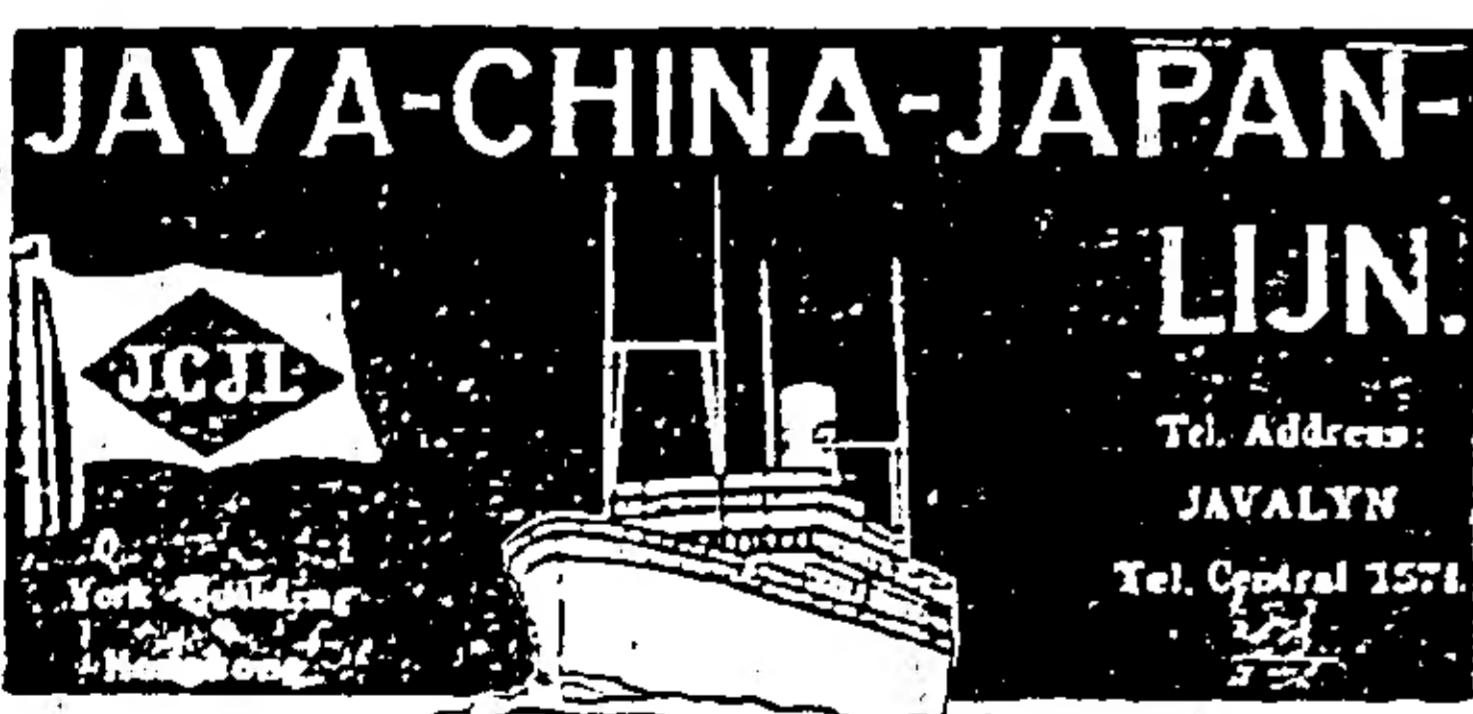
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WEATHER REPORT.

Dec. 13th 10h 40m. Pressure has increased considerably from Chefoo to Shanghai and slightly over Tongking. It has decreased slightly over the Philippines and is nearly stationary elsewhere.

A new anticyclone has formed over China.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.06 inch. Total since January 1st, 106.51 inches, against an average of 82.43 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel N. winds, strong.

2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamock.

3 Hongkong to Gap N.E. winds, fresh.

4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.

T. F. CLAYTON Director.

Hongkong, Dec. 13.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Telegraphic Communication with Wangan Light-house has been restored. Owing to the expected arrival of heavy mails from the United States to-morrow morning and to the closing of the parcel office in London at noon it will probably be impossible for the General Post Office to sort the incoming parcels by the Macau dock until Saturday forenoon the 18th instant.

INWARD MAIIS.

From	To	Due
Shanghai	Singapore	13th Dec.
Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Yingkow	14th
Europe via Far East Letters & Papers London 15th Nov. & Parcels 5th Nov.	Pres. Jefferson	14th
C. & A. Japan & Shanghai	Macedonia	14th
Canada, U. S. A. Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland	14th
Emp. of Asia	Emp. of Asia	15th

OUTWARD MAIIS.

For	To	Date
Java, Amoy & Formosa	Nanyo M. No. 1	Fri. 14 inst. 8.20 a.m.
Banka	Banks	Fri. 14 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Tjibodas	Tjibodas	Fri. 14 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Java via Sourabaya	Haifang	Fri. 14 inst. noon
Java, Amoy & Foochow	Hoang	Fri. 14 inst. 5 p.m.
Armenia		
Ceylon, Macassar, I. Marquesas, S. Africa, India via Diodib.	Devadasi	Fri. 14 inst.
Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Registration	4.55 p.m.
	Lettters	5 p.m.
	(Due Macau Dec. 12th Jan. 1924)	
	Ship mails at midnight 14th Dec.	
	Chitong	Sat. 15 inst. 8.30 a.m.
	Macau	Sat. 15 inst. 8.30 a.m.
	Yunnan	Sat. 15 inst. 8.30 a.m.
	Tengchong	Sat. 15 inst. 9.30 a.m.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

STOCK EXCHANGE		SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION	
BANKS.		BANKS.	
J. K. & S. Bank	1090	1090	1095
Chartered Bank	212	212	212
P. & O. Bank	103	103	103
Bank of E. Asia	229	229	229
Mercantile Banks A & B	212	212	212
Mercantile Banks C			
Marine INSURANCE.			
Japan	630	710	620
North China	5140		140
Japan	236		236
Fragr.	271		27
China First	136		139
I. K. First	510		510
Journeymen	57		57
I. K. Steamboats	462		462
I. K. (Prof.)	352		352
I. K. Del. L. & Co.	142		142
I. K. Del. H. K. & Co.	142		142
Shells	80		81.5
Ferries	63		64
I. K. Tags	80		70
Refineries.			
China Sugars	245		245
Malabon	51		51
Kajal	64.6		65.1
Shells Combined	34		34
Banka	5.20		5.20
Fronak	30		30
Ural Caspian	12		12
Anglo-Contin.	2.3		2.3
DOCKS WHARVES, GODOWNS &c.			
I. K. Wharves	153		151.2
I. K. Docks	151.1		151
Shanghai Docks	90		87
Engineering	7		6
Shanghai Hanghous	185		6
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.			
I. K. Hotels	22	OM	25
I. K. Lands New Reg.	81		24
H. P. Estates	251		25
Cowloon Lands	82		66
I. K. Realty	15		2.13
Princes Bldg.	153		150
COTTON MILLS.			
Two Cottons	11.12 in. 11.80/90		11.12 in. 11.80/90
Ornate Cottons	5.20		5.10
Shanghai Cottons	78		78
Shanghai Cottons New	51		51
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Camels	251		25.30
China Light	14.40	OM	15.1
China Light	14.20	New	15
China Presidents	232		23.5
Dairy Farms	224		22.30
Electric M. H. C.	31.80		31.7
Electric M. M.	28		28
Footwear	43	42	43.1/4
Footwear	24		24
Peak Trans.	15		15
Peak Trans.	2		2
Steel Foundries	144		17
Water-boats	22.24 in. 22.60		22.24
Watches	21		21
Land Companies	16.50		17
James Ltd.	8		8
H. K. Construction	7		7.20
Fax	4.30		4.30
Incomes	134		12.90
Macmillan	28		28
Taikoo Tel.			21
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